



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of	)	MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
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Syuji Maruta et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 2167
	)	
Application No.: 10/763,281	)	Examiner: CHERYL RENE LEWIS
	)	
Filing Date: January 26, 2004	)	Confirmation No.: 6487
	)	
Title: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS	)	
FACILITATING INFORMATION	)	
MANAGEMENT	)	

**AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: January 5, 2007

Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

- ☐ A Petition for Extension of Time is enclosed.
- ☐ \_\_\_\_\_ Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the ☐ \$ 65 ☐ \$ 130 fee per Disclaimer due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are enclosed.
- ☒ Also enclosed is a Response to Non-Compliant Amendment and a Second Information Disclosure Statement.
- ☐ Small entity status is hereby claimed.
- ☐ Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the ☐ \$ 395 ☐ \$ 790 fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
- ☐ Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments not be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above.
- ☐ Applicant(s) previously submitted \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ for which continued examination is requested.
- ☐ Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least \_\_\_\_\_, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.
- ☐ A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.

- ☒ No additional claim fee is required.
- ☐ An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

AMENDED CLAIMS					
	No. of Claims	Highest No. of Claims Previously Paid For	Extra Claims	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	23	23	0	x \$ 50 (1202)	\$ 0
Independent Claims	12	12	0	x \$ 200 (1201)	0
<input type="checkbox"/> If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$ 360 (1203)					\$ 0
<b>Total Claim Amendment Fee</b>					<b>\$ 0</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity Status claimed - subtract 50% of Total Claim Amendment Fee					0
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>					<b>\$ 0</b>

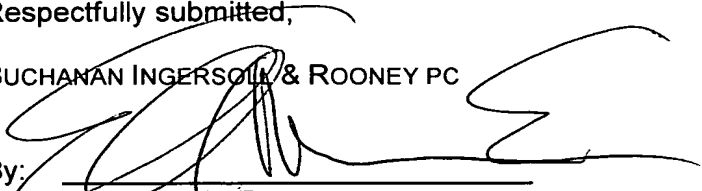
- ☐ Charge \_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed for the fee due.
- ☐ Charge \_\_\_\_\_ to credit card for the fee due. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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**RESPONSE TO NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

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This paper is filed in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment. The Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment stated that a complete listing of the claims was not present, that each claim was not provided with a proper status identifier and a complete listing of the claims was not present. Applicants respectfully submit that the claims were not amended in the Response filed September 25, 2006. Therefore, no listing of the claims is necessary. Applicants respectfully submit that the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment is erroneous. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner withdraws the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment.

If for any reason the Examiner feels that the application is not now in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact, by telephone, the Applicants' undersigned attorney at the indicated telephone number to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this case.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed within the currently set shortened statutory period, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time.

The fees for such extension of time may be charged to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

In the event that any additional fees are due with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

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